

The Adair County News.

VOLUME XIII

COLUMBIA, ADAIR COUNTY, KENTUCKY, WEDNESDAY JULY 20, 1910.

NUMBER 37

ENDS HIS TROUBLES.

Lemuel Coomer, Who Lived in the Fairplay Country, Suicided Sunday Night.

SEVERAL PERSONS WITNESSED THE DEED.

The suicide of Lemuel Coomer reached here early Monday morning. The following are the particulars, as gathered from a gentleman who lives in the neighborhood. Several days ago Coomer and his wife, who is a daughter of Col. Asturry Tabor, of Albany, Ky., quarreled, and it is said that the wife received a whipping. She left, going to the home of her brother, Olie Tabor, where she told her troubles and where she was cared for by her brother. Sunday night Coomer went to his brother-in-law's residence, called his wife out, and intreated her to return home with him, saying that he was sorry for his action and promising to do better in the future. His wife declined to go with him and turned to re-enter the house. Just as she did so the husband drew his pistol and shot his brains out. Besides the wife four or five children are left. The dead man was about forty years old. It is more than likely that a reconciliation would have been brought about, as it is said that Mrs. Coomer took his death very hard.

The interment took place in the neighborhood Monday afternoon.

A Success.

About three years ago Mr. T. G. Rasner took charge of the Columbia Steam Laundry, with no experience, but little money and a demoralized patronage caused by previous failures of others who tried to build the business. He has stuck to the business, acquired the knowledge and equipments necessary and one by one built a substantial patronage. That the people of this part of the State should be liberal in their support to this Laundry can not be questioned for its work is done in first-class order and at much less price than others. Besides getting good work at reasonable prices a man who makes the struggles and undergoes the hardships that Mr. Rasner has, needs the encouragement of a solid patronage from the section that should sustain him. His patronage is increasing but it ought to be more than double its present worth. Send in your linen and be convinced.

Resolutions of Respect.

Whereas, Death is appointed unto us all once to die and go forth into the great unknown, and whereas, our sister, Mrs. Maud Damron has yielded to the inevitable and has gone forth to know the realities of eternity,

Therefore, Be it Resolved that since she has yielded herself unreservedly to the Lord Jesus Christ as her Redeemer, her Priest and her King, and since she became more and more like the Christ, being perfected through suffering, and since she met death with the Christians faith and victory.

Be it Resolved, That we, as a society, sorrow not as those who have no hope, but rejoice because our sister's suffering is over, and she is with the Lord.

Be it further Resolved, That we extend our heartiest sympathies to the bereaved husband, little daughter, and other dear relatives, and commend them to the God and Savior she loved and served, and also commend her life and death to them as worthy of example to be followed and attained.

We commend that these resolutions be published in The Adair County News and a copy be given her husband and little daughter. By order of the Ladies Aid Society of the Christian Church, Columbia, Ky.

Mrs. Ben Ed Rowe, Sec'y.
Mrs. Z. T. Williams, Pres.
Mrs. M. Cravens, V. Pres.

Family washings and laundry work is different. If you want laundry don't include it in family washings—there is a difference in the price as well as the work.

T. G. Rasner. 37-3t

It is estimated that 395,940 acres are planted in tobacco in Kentucky this year as against 365,446 acres in 1909 an increase of 30,000 acres. The reports from some counties are very discouraging while other counties report that plants were never set out under more favorable conditions and that they were strong and have grown well and promise record yields. About half the acreage is white Burley.

R. H. Price and Selden Bennett purchased of the heirs of the late S. R. Conover, last Thursday, the farm, upon which said Conover died several weeks ago, for \$1,050. It contains about 120 acres and is located two miles from Columbia.

KILLING AT JAMESTOWN

Jo Zach Hays, of Color, Shoots and Kills Theodore Burruss, a Colored Barber.

HAYS CLAIMS HE MADE A MISTAKE.

A pistol shot rang out at the home of Jo Zach Hays, a colored silversmith of Jamestown, last Tuesday night and Theodore Burruss, a colored barber, whose shop was at the Holt Hotel, fell mortally wounded, dying in a few hours. There are conflicting statements as to what led to the killing, Hays claiming that it was an accident; that he was watching for a white man named Julius Gaskin, who had threatened to kill him and his wife, and when he fired he thought Burruss was the man he was on watch to see. Gaskin says that he never had trouble at any time with either Hays or his family and that Jo's statement is untrue. The reason given for Burruss entering Hays' premises, he was shot in the yard, is that he kept his horse in Joe's barn and was there to attend him. The wounded man died in Hays' house, and it is reported here that before dying he exonerated his slayer from all blame and asked that he be not prosecuted. It is further stated that a girl is living at Hays' house to whom Burruss was engaged and that Hays did not want them to marry. This is given as has been told to us, and it may not be exactly correct, but all the facts will be brought out at the examining trial.

Since writing the above we learn that Hays was given an examining trial and held in the sum of one thousand dollars, to await the action of the grand jury.

The Columbia Steam Laundry wants your work. It is prepared to give as good service as you can get any where. Send in and be convinced. 37-3t

Resolutions of Respect.

Whereas, Death has entered our circle and claimed one of our most faithful consecrated members, Mrs. Laura Allen, and whereas she lived a sweet, humble life, showing forth the spirit of our Lord and Master and whereas she feared no evil when she passed through the valley of the shadow of death but went forth into the presence of her God, rejoicing in the Christian Hope and longing to be in His presence. Therefore,

Be it Resolved, That our society has sustained a loss in the death of sister Allen and yet Heaven seems still more dear because she is there.

Also, Be it Resolved, That we grieve not, but go on with thanksgiving because she was spared to us so long and because our Blessed Redeemer has made ready for her a room in the House of God eternal in the Heavens and she is now rejoicing in the realities of the home of the Christian's soul.

Be it further Resolved, That we follow her life of faithfulness and extend our sincere sympathies to her daughters and commend them the life of their sainted mother as worthy of imitation and trust that the sweet memories of her may help them to be true to her God, and help them find comfort in this hour of sorrow, so that they may after awhile meet her in the city of our God.

We commend also that a copy of these resolutions be published in the Adair County News, also a copy to the sisters.

By order of the Ladies Aid Society of the Christian Church, Columbia, Ky.

Mrs. Ben Ed Rowe, Sec'y.
Mrs. Z. T. Williams, Pres.
Mrs. M. Cravens, V. Pres.

Bishop T. C. Carter of the United Brethren Church, delivered a very interesting lecture at the Methodist Church last Wednesday evening. His lecture was upon the South and the part her prominent men played in the formation of this government, and the distinction many of them gained upon fields of battle and in navy engagements. He recited history to back him in his statements, showing that Southern men were entitled to more credit for the peaceful and prosperous condition of this country than men who lived in the north, east and west. The Bishop was not physically able to deliver his lecture, speaking slowly, but those who failed to hear him, missed a most entertaining recitation of historical events. He was introduced to the audience by Gov. J. R. Hindman who spoke of the Bishop's powers in entertaining.

The wife of Mr. Selden Cravens, who lives in the Craycraft country, died Monday of last week. She was about sixty-five years old and a victim of consumption.

Strayed, four sheep from my premises. They have been seen at Glenville 36-2t Mike Grant.

Birthday Dinner.

Last Wednesday was the forty-ninth anniversary of Rev. J. R. Crawford, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, this place. Mrs. Crawford concluded that the event should be duly celebrated, and she prepared a most sumptuous dinner, to which she invited all the officers of the Church, to-wit: Judge H. C. Baker, Capt. W. W. Bradshaw, Dr. W. R. Grissom, Messrs. John N. Murrell, E. W. Reed, W. P. Summers, W. D. Frazer, T. A. Murrell, J. W. Flowers, R. K. Young, J. O. Russell. All answered to the invitation except Mr. Russell, who was called to Cincinnati. The officers concluded a day or two before the appointed hour, that it would be proper to remember the pastor in a substantial way and accordingly they made up a purse of forty-nine dollars which was presented in a few chosen words by Judge T. A. Murrell, Mr. Crawford happily responding. Those who were present speak of the dinner in most glowing terms and the occasion as a very delightful gathering.

For Sale.

One good brood mare and colt. Apply to A. J. Gowen, Gradyville, Ky.

Mr. C. L. Pyle, of Hustonville was in this office Monday and in conversation we obtained the following information which should be used by those who grow tobacco. While it is now too late for this season, yet, when the next crop is ready to plant it should be remembered. It is this: He was asked if tobacco was freching in his section and he answered that it was not where it had been planted right, but where the old method prevailed in planting, freching was common. He stated that the long root should be pinched off before setting and where so treated it would not frech. This is not hard to do and the experience of those who have tried it demonstrates its worth. Remember to pinch off the long center root when you plant next year.

Mr. Buck Willis submitted to a very serious operation last Monday afternoon. For several years he has been afflicted with hydrocele and an operation could no longer be deferred. It was performed by Dr. E. A. Waggener, assisted by Dr. J. H. Grady and Dr. Garlin Grissom. It is hoped that the patient will soon recover.

Mr. Paul Acree, who lives on the Russell Springs road, ten miles from Columbia, and Miss Nannie Montgomery, a daughter of Mr. Nathan Montgomery, a grand daughter of Mr. T. W. Montgomery, were recently married in Jeffersonville, Ind. They returned to this county a week or two ago.

Mr. J. C. Sims, the well-known tombstone man, has removed his machinery from Campbellsville to Lebanon where his main office is located. He will also have a branch shop at Campbellsville. Mr. Sims has delivered a great deal of work to people of Adair county, giving perfect satisfaction. He continues to solicit the work from this section of the State. 34-4t

We are informed that Mr. Ed Gentry and Miss Tobie Montgomery, daughter of Mr. T. W. Montgomery, eloped to Birdtown, Tenn., last week and were married. They were at Russell Springs last Saturday on their return home.

The family washings at the Columbia Steam Laundry is under my supervision and I see that it is done right. The price for such work is 7 cents per pound, but must include heavy as well as light work. We can not do all light work at this price. Also washings must be 5 pounds or over. 37-3t Mrs. T. G. Rasner.

Mr. Bruce Callison is adding valuable improvements to his residence at Cane Valley in the way of varandas, etc. We are also informed that several residences will be built in that town before the ending of the fall months.

Eld. W. B. Taylor, of Lagrange, a native of this county, a very prominent minister in the Christian Church, preached an able sermon here Monday night. For the next ten days he will be with Eld. Williams in a meeting at Pleasant Hill.

Mr. Frank Dohoney was in Columbia Monday and being asked for the news in his locality, said: "Nothing but water and destruction in the Milltown country. The high waters have done so much damage that only a half crop of corn will be raised."

Dr. W. F. Cartwright has contracted with Sandusky & Co., for a five-room cottage. It will be built near the residence of Mr. W. H. Wilson and the work will commence in about two weeks.

The Pee Ridge Fair will be held on Wednesday, the 27th of this month.

IT LEAKED OUT.

Mr. L. B. Cain and Miss Alice Murrell Married Last Sunday Night.

A SECRET THAT FAILED TO KEEP.

Mr. L. B. Cain, a well-known stock dealer of this county, and Miss Alice Murrell, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Murrell, who live three miles from Columbia, were married in this town last Sunday night. It was the intention of the contracting parties to withhold the announcement for several days, but a little bird came round and the information was gathered. The ceremony was performed by Rev. B. M. Currie. Soon after the rites were solemnized the couple drove to the home of the bride's parents. Mr. Cain is an industrious and quite a prosperous young man who has many friends, and the bride is one of Adair county's best young women. It is a very difficult matter to keep a marriage a secret, though the minister's mouth be closed and the record laid away.

This couple have bright prospects before them and we trust that happiness may attend them through life.

Medical Society Meeting.

Remember that the 20th annual session of the Russell Springs District Medical Society will be held at Russell Springs, Ky., on the 1st Thursday in August, 1910. There will be an elaborate program offered on laws of health, Sanitation preventative medicine, by Drs. U. L. Taylor, State Sanitary Inspector; Wm. Blair, member of Adair County Board Health. L. D. Hammond, councilor 7th medical district of Kentucky, R. C. McChord councilor of 6th medical district of Kentucky, Flanagan and others. It is hoped that every doctor, medical student, dentist, druggist, and more especially the ladies and gentlemen of every walk of life will be present at the meeting of one of the oldest District Medical Societies in Kentucky. J. B. Scholl.

For Sale.

On account of removing from the county, I offer my home on Lebanon Avenue, Campbellsville, Ky., for sale. The house has 6 rooms and bath room and store room, besides 3 large closets. Basement under the whole house, concrete walls and floor.

People who want to speculate in lands can do just about as well at home as they could in Western States. Cast your eye over this county and note the changes in farm owners in the last twelve years, and note the advance in prices. Farms that sold for \$2,000 a few years ago have changed hands several times and are now valued at \$5,000, and there is a market for them.

Mat B. Firquin, who many years ago was a painter in this town, died very suddenly at his late home, in Glasgow, last week. His wife had prepared breakfast and when she went to her room to notify her husband, found him dead. He was sixty-six years old, remarkably kindhearted and leaves many friends.

Fred Burbridge, a colored man who lives in Lebanon, was before Commissioner F. R. Winfrey last Friday. He was arrested by Deputy U. S. Marshal Wise in Cumberland county. He is charged with selling liquor in Lebanon in March, 1909. He was held over. Several Lebanon witnesses were here and testified.

Wanted:—White Oak Logs, write us for prices. Will also buy standing timber and white and red oak lumber.

Louisville Planing Mill & Hardwood 35 4t Flooring Co., Louisville, Ky.

About twenty-five colored men of this vicinity have organized a lodge of United Brothers of Friendship. It is a benevolent order, and its teachings, if adhered to, make men better.

Columbia Lodge, No. 96, Free and Accepted Masons will meet in their hall next Friday evening at 7:45. There will be work and a full attendance is desired by the Master.

We have been informed that Charley Morris, who lives near Coburg, lost a valuable horse one day last week, killed by lightning.

The amphitheater is to be recovered and other necessary improvements made at the Fair grounds. Every thing will be in readiness when the bell-taps.

There are at this time, so we are informed, about thirty horses in Adair county that are in training for the Fair. August 23, four days.

MILLIONS LOST.

Heavy Downpours Bring Devastation in Many Sections of Kentucky.

WHEAT, CORN AND TOBACCO SUFFER.

We take the following gloomy crop prospects from Sunday's Courier-Journal. The heavy rains have been general throughout the State:

Not since the season of 1875 has Kentucky been visited with such an excessive rainfall as this summer. The damage wrought by rains during the present month will run into the millions. The downpours have not been confined to one section, but have been general throughout the State. In some sections it has fallen every day during July.

In addition to the washing of cultivated fields and destruction of bridges and roads the damage to growing crops has been, in some instances, nearly a total loss. The wheat harvest has not only been delayed, but in many cases where the wheat has been shocked the grain has begun to sprout and will be totally unfit for threshing. It is estimated that over half the wheat crop has been lost in many localities.

In the tobacco districts the plants have been washed from the earth and those that had begun to grow are "freching" from the excessive rains. Where farmers have been prevented from cultivating their crops on account of the wet weather the weeds have practically taken them.

Cloudbursts in Nicholas and adjoining counties yesterday brought an estimated damage of hundreds of thousands of dollars. Many persons narrowly escaped drowning while their homes were damaged to such an extent as to make them practically uninhabitable. In Mason and Nicholas county steel bridges were washed from their moorings and destroyed.

In Henderson, Union and Webster counties the damage from the rain of yesterday, it is reported, will run over a million dollars. The growing crops were "flooded" and many barns that contained valuable appurtenances were washed away.

The rains of yesterday have caused Statewide devastation and untold losses. It is utterly impossible to estimate the damage, but reports indicate that if the rains do not soon cease, the prospects for growing crops in Kentucky will be very gloomy.

ADAIR CIRCUIT COURT

John B. Cave, Plff.

vs

Thos. B. Grant, Admr., &c. Defts.

Notice is hereby given that I will sit at my office in the town of Columbia, Ky., on each day (Sundays excepted) from August 1st, 1910, until September 1st, 1910, to receive claims against the estate of W. D. Cave, deceased, in above styled case, and to hear proof of them, pursuant to an order of the Adair Circuit Court, in above styled case. 37-3t W. A. Coffey, M. C. C. C.

There is no blight like the blight of idleness. It is in the unworked garden that weeds grow. It is in the stagnant water that disease germs waken to horrid life. It is in the calm that mariners lose heart, and from the spent battle-fields pestilence, more dreaded foe than the red carnage of war. Ennui palls upon a brave heart as protracted peace falls upon a true soldier. Ennui is like a long-winded amiable, but watery-ideaed friend who dropped in to see us and dribbles platitudes until every nerve stands out like porcupine quills and we long for the advent of an enemy. Ennui is like being forced to eat meat without salt, or to drink tepid water. Labor, on the contrary, it it be remunerated labor, is a friend with grit and endurance in his makeup. It comes to us as a wind visits the forest, and sets all our faculties stirring, as the wind ruffles the treetops. It salutes up our meat and spices our drink.

Sanford, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Strange accidentally exploded the bull of a twenty-two cartridge last Thursday morning, a piece of the hull striking him on the leg, the wound bleeding freely. He is only three years old and he had got hold of a box containing nails and some small trifles, and he was striking with a hammer first one, then another when the hull exploded. The accident greatly excited the child and his parents, but they were quickly relieved upon learning that the little fellow was only slightly hurt.

Interest in the coming Fair is growing and a very large crowd of people is expected in Columbia. Keep the date before you, August 23, four days.

Born, to the wife of Rev. R. L. Talley, the 13th inst., a daughter.

Goes to Jail.

Saturday night Mr. A. N. Wells, formerly of Junction City, but who lately made his home in this city, was placed in the Boyle county jail for refusing to pay a judgment obtained against him in the last term of the Boyle circuit court by Mr. C. P. Minor for libel. Mr. Wells is preparing to take the insolvent debtors' oath and will have to be incarcerated behind the iron bars for ten days. At the expiration of this period he will go before the county judge and take the insolvent debtors' oath and be relieved from the judgment obtained against him.

Mr. Wells was former manager and agent of the Farmers' Home Insurance company of Junction City, a local and co-operative fire insurance company. The basis of the suit, in which the judgment was obtained was a libelous letter written by Mr. Wells relative to Mr. Minor, who is well-known throughout the county among his numerous friends as Uncle Boss—Danville Advocate.

Mr. Wells is fairly well-known in Adair county, having been a regular visitor to Columbia while he was President of the Farmers Home Insurance Company.

Notice.

July 8 1910.

E. H. Hughes, Cashier,
First National Bank,
Columbia, Ky.

For your information we beg to advise that until further notice, you may take in and handle as cash items all state warrants that have not been stamped interest bearing, amounting to fifty dollars and under. These warrants when so taken up should be sent as cash items through your regular correspondent for collection and same will be paid upon presentation.

Very truly,

H. E. James, Asst. Treas.

Mr. J. A. Caldwell, who was born and reared near Milltown, this county, will graduate from the Western State Normal College, Bowling Green, next Thursday, the 21st. Mr. Caldwell will be the first person in Adair county to receive a life diploma from this institution or any other State Normal School.

No More Worry About Pumps.

Call on S. F. Eubank and get the latest up-to-date, one that will not need to be repaired. 34-4t

Judge Roscoe Tarter will speak at the court-house this Wednesday night in the interest of D. C. Edwards. Ladies invited.

For Sale.

Two second-hand two-horse wagon, and one one horse wagon. All in good repair. Parson Bros. 37-3t

Found, a small plain gold safety pin. Call at this office.

The water at the Fair grounds is the finest in the State.

Born, to the wife of Edwin Hurt, July 16, a daughter.

Catalogues for the Columbia Fair are out and are being sent to exhibitors.

The wife of Elijah Burton, near Esto, Russell county, died last Thursday night.

Come and hear Weberley's famous band of Louisville four days during the Fair.

Rev. B. M. Currie is assisting Rev. J. H. Road in a meeting at Cane Valley this week.

Blackberries and plums wanted at the Lindsey-Wilson. Bring Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. 37-2t

Morrison & Co., have a lot of good dressed lumber which they will sell below the market price for the next thirty days. 35-4t

The corn crop in the Green river and Russell creek bottoms are reported greatly damaged by the recent heavy rains.

The catalogues for the Burkesville Fair are being printed at this office, and will be ready to ship to the Secretary in a very few days.

Vacation is soon gone. In about six weeks schools will again open. Prof. Moss informs us that he is looking for a flattering opening at the Lindsey-Wilson.

All persons desiring to enter the Columbia High School, must remember the date for special examination Friday and Saturday July 22 and 23.

Hon. D. C. Edwards has a very sick child at his home in London, and could not fill his appointments to speak in this county and Judge Roscoe Tarter, of Somerset, is filling them.